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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
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Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

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PATENT



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 MEDIUM FOR RECORDING DATA IN THE SAME
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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56 and 1.97 through 1.98, applicants wish to make known to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office the references set forth on the attached Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. Copies of cited U.S. patents and published patent applications are not required and accordingly have not been provided. Copies of any other cited references are enclosed. As to any reference cited, applicants do not admit that it is "prior art" under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, and specifically reserve the right to traverse or antedate any such reference, as by a showing under 37 CFR 1.131 or other method. Although the aforesaid references are made known to the Patent and Trademark Office in compliance with applicants' duty to disclose all information they are aware of which is believed relevant to the examination of the above-identified application, applicants believe that their invention is patentable.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is provided because of the Examiner's double-patenting rejection in the application 10/756,036, with which applicants do not agree and which applicants believe is improper. However, if the Examiner believes that the

claims of the application 10/756,036 are sufficiently similar to warrant a double-patenting rejection, the art from the application 10/756,036 might be considered relevant by the Examiner of the present application. Further, this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is provided because the application 10/756,036 was the basis of a double-patenting rejection asserted in the following co-pending application commonly owned by the Assignee: 10/824,081. Applicants do not agree with the alleged double-patenting rejection asserted in the application 10/756,036 and believe that it is improper. However, if the Examiner of the application 10/756,036 believed that the claims of that application were sufficiently similar to the claims of the application 10/824,081 to warrant a double-patenting rejection, the art from the application 10/824,081 might be considered relevant by the Examiner of the present application. Accordingly, the art of record in both of the above-identified co-pending applications, if not already disclosed, is disclosed out of an abundance of caution. This is the reason for the submission and the basis of relevance provided by Applicants' attorney.

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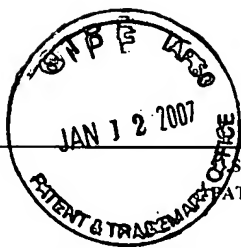
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA	6,605,328	08/12/03	Shingai et al.	428	64.1	
	AB	6,677,104	01/13/04	Mizushima et al.	430	270.13	
	AC	6,798,733	09/28/04	Inoue et al.	369	275.3	
	AD	2004/0047278	03/11/04	Komaki et al.	369	275.2	
	AE	2004/0062189	04/01/04	Matsukawa et al.	369	275.4	
	AF	2004/0191689	09/30/04	Shingai et al.	430	270.13	
	AG	2005/0041568	02/24/05	Shingai et al.	369	275.2	
	AH	2005/0106404	05/19/05	Hayashida et al.	428	522	
	AI	10/756,036		Kato et al.			01/13/04
	AJ	10/824,081		Shingai et al.			04/14/04
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION	
					YES	NO
	AM	06-166268	06/14/94	JP (+ Abstract in English)		
	AN	03/055679	07/10/03	WIPO		
	AO	03/067580	08/14/03	WIPO		

OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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